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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

Fed'l Judge DAVID A PINE, ruling Pres Truman's seizure of steel industry illegal: "I believe that our procedures under the Constitution can stand the stress and strains of an emergency today as they have in the past, and are adequate to meet the test of emergency and crisis." 1-Q

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Sen ROBT A TAFT, (R-Ohio): "If the Democrats continue in office for another 4 yrs, you will have Socialism. And nobody will suffer more than the working people." 2-Q

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D A HULCY, pres U S Chamber of Commerce, commenting on seizure of steel industry: "It is the precedent, not the President that matters. Presidents come and go, but precedents have a dangerous way of living on forever." 3-Q

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Gov ADLAI STEVENSON (D-Ill): "We cannot allow America to become a permanent armed camp, forever under the dark shadow of catastrophic war." 4-Q

MAURICE J TOBIN, Sec'y of Labor: "Right now they (Republicans) are having a terrible time nominating a candidate. They are afraid of half the candidates that are available because they don't know where they stand, and they're afraid of the other half because they know where they stand." 5-Q

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Gen DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, commenting on app'tment of Gen Matthew B Ridgway as his successor in SHAPE: "Things will be in good hands. We could not do better." 6-Q

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Gen DOUGLAS MACARTHUR: "The 1st thing you know the military is going to take over the country. I am really concerned and I am critical." 7-Q

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MANLY FLEISCHMANN, Defense Production Administrator: "In the long run, our security and the peace of the world will be determined by our Allies rather than by our arsenal." 8-Q

T W E L F T H Y E A R O F P U B L I C A T I O N



The rising tide of public preference for Gen Eisenhower in many ways parallels the campaign that led to the nomination of Wendell Willkie in '40. Such a tide results from a vague unrest, a gen'l dissatisfaction with the established order, and perhaps most of all, a fervent yen for "someone who can bring us a victory."

This tide swept Willkie on to the Republican nomination 12 yrs ago. Again we see the phenomenon of millions of persons ardently supporting an aspirant whose basic beliefs, principles and precepts are an enigma. The appeal is almost wholly emotional—aptly summed in the catch phrase, "I like Ike!"

Against such a tide men long established in public political life are singularly vulnerable. A single issue illustrates our point: the case of FEPC—the so-called Fair Employment measure. Taft's stand is a matter of record. He has opposed compulsory FEPC. In the case of

Gen Eisenhower we find an incongruous situation: Southern Republicans and dissident Democrats support Eisenhower on the assumption that he is a staunch advocate of states' rights. Conversely, northern liberals (and several of the Gen'l's active campaign leaders) hold high his banner in the belief that he symbolizes their concept of economic and social equality. Obviously, one group or the other is doomed to disappointment.

Statement in public prints that NATO leaders wanted Gruenther is inaccurate. He was acceptable, but 1st choice was Gen Ridgway.

What happens now in steel? So many conflicting courses are indicated, no immediate forecast is practicable. Ultimately, from chaos and confusion must come a clarification as fundamental as any judicial decision since the framing of the Constitution. In long-range terms, we repeat a previously-expressed conviction: The Administrative branch of gov't is losing power; the Legislative branch presently will become ascendant.

Someone observed in Washington last wk that the strongest available Democrats are running—but in the wrong direction!



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Charles Holden program



ADVICE—1

People give advice so you can avoid the mistakes they made, thus enabling you to make mistakes they would have made if they hadn't made the other mistakes instead.—HENRY FELSEN, *Today's Woman*.

AGE—2

By 1980 persons 50 yrs of age and over will make up 42% of the voting population. Add a few million sons, daughters, in-laws, who don't want the old folks moving in on them, and you can see the likelihood of legislation which will give all unemployed oldsters a pension they can live on. Such legislation will place a burden of taxation on everyone at work, and on the few financially independent.

It's a simple case of arithmetic. Within 30 yrs the U S will have too many aged persons to support in idleness. There must be a basic change in our thinking about the usefulness of older workers.—Dr CHAS E DUTCHESS, v-p Schenley Lab's, addressing Industrial Medical Ass'n.

ANGER—3

Every minute you are angry, you lose 60 seconds of happiness.—*L & N Employes' Mag.*

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Men are like steel—of little use when they lose their temper.—*Highways of Happiness.*

ATOMIC AGE—4

The navel of the universe is no longer a shrine at Delphi tended by the priests of Apollo, but the atomic piles at Oak Ridge where the physicists guard the sacred bomb.—RICHARD HUMPHREY, *Georges Sorel, Prophet without Honor* (Harvard Univ Press).

AUTOMOBILES—5

If all the cars in the U S were placed end to end—it would be Sunday afternoon. — *Washington Times-Herald.*

BOOKS—6

In science read the newest works; in literature, the oldest.—*Money.*

BUREAUCRACY—7

A salmon, swimming up the Columbia River to spawn, passes under the jurisdiction of 12 Fed'l agencies.—V B GERARD, "Business Temperature," *Best's Life News*, 4-'52.

CHARACTER—8

The lines on the face are the shorthand of the soul.—Rev JOHN C BLACKFORD, First Church, Hastings, Minn, *Christian Advocate.*

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A child may make a perfect grade in arithmetic, but if he grows up to falsify his income tax, he has really failed in this subject.—*N C Public School Bulletin.*

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"He Done His Damdest"

Pres TRUMAN recently expressed the hope that his political epitaph might be expressed in the words of our caption. The thought traces back to a '49-er who, legend has it, was buried with those words on his tombstone. (There is also the story of a placard in a Western saloon: "Don't shoot the piano-player. He is doing his damdest.") E BELL GUTHREY, a minor minnesinger of the old West, put the idea into verse some 60 yrs ago:

I ask that when my spirit quits
this shell of mortal clay
And o'er the trail across the
range pursues its silent way,
That no imposing marble shaft
may mark the spot where rest
The tailings of the bard who
sang the praises of the West.
But that above them may be
placed a slab of white or gray,
And on it but the epitaph
carved in an earlier day,
Upon the headboard of a man
who did the best he could
To have the bad deeds of his
life o'ershadowed by the good:
"He Done His Damdest." 9

CHILD TRAINING—10

The main trouble with child psychology is that children don't understand it!—KAY INGRAM, *Country Gentleman*.

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When kids get on the wrong track, it's time for parents to pull the switches.—*Fifth Wheel*, hm, Indiana Motor Truck Ass'n.

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COMMERCE—11

That a nation could become rich by selling without buying (is a) philosophy that is still an obsession in American business. — THURMAN W ARNOLD et al, *The Future of Democratic Capitalism* (Univ of Penn Press).

CRIME—Cost—12

If we concentrate only on the long-term prisoners who return to crime (after their release), their cost to society is about \$25,000 each. . . The mere expense of keeping a man in penitentiary is well over \$1,200 a yr.—DOUGLAS WILSON, "Should We Employ Ex-Prisoners?" *Canadian Business*, 4-'52.

CRITICISM—13

Our nat'l life has been healthy and virile because of the opportunity to criticize, protest and espouse unpopular causes. The reformer has always had his day in court, and if his case was good enough, he has won the verdict.—ARTHUR M SCHLESINGER, *The American As Reformer* (Harvard Univ Press).

CULTURE—14

To be born a gentleman is an accident, but to die one is an achievement.—*G E News*, hm, Gen'l Electric Co.

DEFENSE—15

In a discussion of whether Britain and France can afford to re-arm: "Raw materials, food and war supplies can be had in large quantities free from the US."—Royal Institute of Internat'l Affairs, *Defense in the Cold War* (Chatham House Study Group, London & NY).

DRINK—Drinking—16

There is a decided increase of alcoholism in all groups and ages. A statistical survey sets figures at a million chronic alcoholics (including only those admitted to hospitals) 4 million heavy drinkers and 40 million social drinkers.—From a rep't of Nat'l Committee on Alcohol Hygiene, Inc.

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Two Scotch friends had been drinking merrily for some time when suddenly one lost his grip on the bar and fell face down on the floor. “Aye, laddie,” said his companion to the bartender, “that’s a grand thing about Jock. He always knows when to stop.”—*Pure Oil News*, hm, Pure Oil Co.

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How Much Is a Billion?

Here are a few figures that bring home the immensity of a billion, in these days of high finance:

A billion dollar bills laid end to end would encircle the earth nearly 4 times. If you made 19 trips between N Y and Chicago you would cover a distance of nearly a billion inches. The propeller of an airplane travelling 300 mi's per hr would turn a billion times if the plane would cruise continuously —24 hrs a day—for nearly 2 yrs!—*Lion Mag.* 17

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EMPLOYMENT—Juvenile—18

Part-time employment for teenage boys and girls after school and on Sat's is at the highest point that it has ever reached in the U S.—WM C REAVIS, editorial, *School Review*.



Fres Truman's disparagement of the primary election as “eye-wash” has, of course, a certain validity. It is perfectly true that in a good many states delegates thus tentatively pledged are subject to manipulation under pressure of a nat'l convention.

But the primary is significantly the citizen's instrument of expression. And in this election yr, as never before, he is exercising his right to speak his mind.

An analysis of the first 5 primaries held in the U S this yr shows conclusively that the Average Man, regardless of party, is well resolved to register an opinion. He intends to be heard and heeded.

In the New Hampshire primary, the vote was almost twice as large as in the '48 primary.

In Nebraska, the primary vote was 40,000 heavier than in '48.

In Illinois, it was 100,000 over 4 yrs ago.

Minnesota had no preferential primary 4 yrs ago. But this yr, 107,000 persons turned out to vote.

In Wisconsin, the result was really fantastic: Republicans drew 770,000 votes, compared to 162,000 four yrs ago. Democrats cast 241,000 ballots, compared to 30,000 in '48.

If this be “eye-wash” then the professional politicians might well apply a little of the ungent to clear their vision. There is an undercurrent of unrest abroad in the land, of which they had best take heed.

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He DIDN'T Say it!

For some time QUOTE has been trying to set the record straight on a collection of aphorisms widely credited to ABRAHAM LINCOLN. Just last wk CHAS F McCAHILL, pres, American Newspaper Publishers Assn, repeated these sayings with the Lincoln tag line. We recently tracked down a Calif att'y, JAS MALLON, who admits that he is responsible for the Lincoln credit. "I thought it sounded like Lincoln," he said. Which brings to mind the case of ELBERT HUBBARD who attributed his "better mousetrap" epigram to EMERSON, and when challenged said defensively: "Well, it's the sort of thing Emerson would have said if he had thought of it!" We repeat the lines for your further enlightenment:

You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.

You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.

You cannot help little men by tearing down big men.

You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.

You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.

You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence.

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves. 19

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FAMILY LIFE—20

A Tex couple came up with cold statistics to prove a mother's daily tasks involve more energy than her business husband's. Both carried a pedometer during an average day's work. Result: She walked 7.5 mi's doing housework, marketing and looking after 2 children; he walked 5.1 mi's on his 8-to-4 shift at a DuPont plant.—Quick.

GENIUS—21

A sensible philosophy controlled by a relevant set of concepts . . . can nearly act as a substitute for genius; it may be that this is what we mean by genius.—N W PIRIE, 'Concepts out of Context,' *British Jnl for Philosophy of Science*, London, 2-'52.

GOVERNMENT—22

The worst conceivable gov't would be the philosopher's; they botch every natural process with theory; their ability to make speeches and multiply ideas is precisely the sign of their incapacity for action.—LAO-TSE, pre-Confucian philosopher, quoted in *The Chemist*.

GOVERNMENT—Cost—23

Recent figures indicate the cost of an evening TV (network) show at better than \$29 thousand per half hr. If the \$84.5 billion Fed'l expenditures budgeted for this fiscal yr were put into time buying (and the evening hr rates arbitrarily applied to all time bought), it would purchase 2.8 million TV half hrs—1.4 million hrs—more than 58 thousand days, or about 161 yrs, 6 mo's. Enough to have a continuous program running from the 2nd yr of Washington's administration—in 1791—to the present day.—*Tax Outlook*.

HUMANITY—Unison—24

Humanity has a sacred belief that it originally was united, and, just as the common curse burdens it, so it should also share the common blessing. Therefore that politic that does not only assure humanity the promised state, but at the same time understands how to make it the tool of these high ideas, will be not only the noblest but at the same time the most successful.—CONSTANTIN FRANTZ, *Deutsche Rundschau*, Stuttgart (QUOTE translation).

LABOR—25

All labor has dignity if we perform it with dignity. It is never the task that lacks dignity.—ESTHER FRESHMAN, *Good Business*.

LABOR—Compensation—26

Steelworkers in the U S get 3 times the pay of British steel employees, according to a comparison of statistics of the British Iron and Steel Federation and American Iron and Steel Institute. In mid-'50, average for steel workers in the United Kingdom was approximately \$22.15 a wk. Employees in U S steel companies averaged over \$70 a wk.—*Dairymen's League News*.

LEADERSHIP—27

To know how to do a job is the accomplishment of labor; to be able to tell others is the accomplishment of the teacher; to inspire others to do better work is the accomplishment of management; to be able to do all 3 is the accomplishment of true leaders.—GUY FERGASON, "Should Management Be Trained?" *Best's Life News*, 4-'52.

"Of all things!"

From Chamonix, France to Courmayeur, Italy is a 140-mi journey around Mont Blanc, tho the 2 villages are actually less than 8 mi's apart. So tunnel diggers began last wk boring a hole thru the Alps to connect France and Italy at this point. Project represents by far the longest vehicular tube in the world. Cost: \$14 million.

Another mountain memo: Stone mtn memorial to the Confederacy, near Atlanta, started 30 yrs ago by Gutzon Borglum, is soon to be completed. State legislature has appropriated \$800,000 for this purpose. Sculptor as yet unnamed.

Leaves aren't the only thing to turn green in the spring—chlorophyll has seen to that. Verdant dog food, toothpaste and chewing gum we can take. But the newest development—chlorophyll inner soles to assure sweet feet—certainly gives us pause.

Always there are philosophers. "If we had to have a flood," said a small-town Iowa banker last wk, "Nature certainly picked the best time of year for it—too late to cause acute suffering from cold; too early to destroy spring planting in the fields."

In Chicago, the Internat'l Amphitheatre (where the nat'l political conventions will be held) is changing its name "for practical and psychological reasons" to Chicago Convention Bldg.

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For Decoration Day
ARTHUR FREDERIC OTIS

As picnic parties pass you by
With garlands in your hand.
As laughter rings beneath this
sky,

This is your hallowed land;
And as you go your lonely way
To one who laughs no longer,
Your claim upon this land today
Is more than theirs, and
stronger.

Think not his name is only
lined

On marker, bronze or stone;
Think not his sacrifice is shrined
Within your heart alone;
For every smile and every song
And every thrill of pride
Is homage given, deep and long,
To every lad who died.

And tho they may not give you
thought,

Those crowds who play apart,
Nor give a sign they know you
bought
Their freedom with your
heart,

Please know they know the
debt is there;

Please try to understand—
This is your free-borne sun
they share;

This is your hallowed land.
—Household.

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MEMORIAL DAY—28

On the classroom wall of a Harvard law prof at the end of the war there hung a group of photos—each picturing a former student in military uniform. Beneath each picture was a date—the day each was shot down. Under each photo was framed 2 pages of an essay written by that boy before leaving law school. They gave his views on life, the kind of future he planned for himself.

That was all—the pictures, the essays on life, the dates of their deaths—and the young faces speaking to you from their graves.—
IRVING HOFFMAN, Hollywood Reporter.

MUSIC—29

A Negro boy was going down the hall to his class which filled a school assembly. A splendid chorus had just finished singing a group of religious numbers, including a spiritual. Said this lad on mtg the directress of the chorus: "Gee, Miss Anderson, that music sure did rock my soul." — **JOHN W BEATTIE, "Manna for the Soul," Music Educator's Jnl, 4-5-'52.**

NATURE—30

I have known three or four squeaks from a winter wren in the brush to touch my sensibility of life more deeply than any of the celebrated voices that were featured in the broadcasts on that same day.—**OSCAR OSTLUND, Nature Magazine.**

OBSTACLES—31

An obstacle is something that's seen when you take your eyes off the goal.—**Northwestern Bell, hm, Bell Telephone Co.**

Pathways to the Past



Week of
May 25-31

Park & Recreation Wk (5-30 to 6-7)

May 25—Euclid's *Elements* geometrica, 1st book to contain mathematical figures, printed 470 yrs ago. . . It was 25 yrs ago today that Henry Ford announced his momentous decision to scrap the beloved Model T, on which he had built fame and fortune. . . First letter to encircle the world via commercial air mail was del'd in N Y City 15 yrs ago.

May 26—Twenty-five yrs ago today our paper money was reduced in size. It has since been somewhat further reduced in purchasing power!

May 27—Few realize the white man's war with the Indians began before landing of the Pilgrims. First serious encounter, in Virginia. May 27, 1607. . . Achsah Young, of Mass, 1st person executed for witchcraft, 305 yrs ago today.

May 30—Memorial Day . . . Feast of St Joan of Arc (marking her heroic death, 1431).

May 31—The 1st 1000-plane air raid in the history of the world was staged by the RAF 10 yrs ago. Two thousand tons of bombs were dropped on Cologne, Germany, resulting in an est death toll of 11,000. Churchill declared this marked the beginning of "an or-

10 Years Ago

From the files of **QUOTE**: "The women are now displaying their new spring hats," observed the *Carlisle (Ky) Mercury*. "Maybe for a while even war won't seem too horrible." . . . Byron Price, newly-appointed Director of Censorship faced his post realistically: "No one," he said, "need doubt where a censor would wind up in a popularity contest." . . . Said Mary Astor, motion picture actress: "The glamour girl has gone. The war has developed a new type. Let's call her the 'grit girl'." . . . The USO began popularizing its new slogan: "Until we bring our boys home, the USO will bring home to our boys." . . . Chas E Sorensen, a Ford v-p, surveying the new Willow Run plant for the manufacture of bombers: "I wish the Germans and Japs could see it—hell, they'd blow their brains out!"

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deal the like of which has never been experienced." Military experts do not yet understand why saturation bombing had, relatively speaking, so little effect on German production of war materials.

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Museum of Modern Art Bulletin has a new wrinkle. It's a mag with 2 fronts and no back! One section, devoted to drawings and lithographs, is arranged in the conventional manner. Flip the book over to what would normally be the back, give it a turn so that pages of 1st half are upside down. There's a 2nd mag, with its individual cover, devoted to Picasso and his art.

Book-of-the-Month Club, never one to overlook a merchandising opportunity, is currently soliciting subscriptions for Curtis mags — *Saturday Evening Post*, *Ladies' Home Jnl* and *Holiday*—one yr of each for \$10.

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Scottish Educational Jnl, concerned by inroads of American juvenile fiction, is launching a campaign on behalf of British comics. Suggested course: don't decry American comics, but point out that they are bad bargains. Average imported comic costs 6d to 1s and can be read in 10 min's. “Too expensive” says the thrifty Scot.

Retiring from the presidency next Jan, to a presumably less turbulent life, Harry S Truman can still “keep in touch.” It is announced that he is to have his own free copy of the *Congressional Record*, delivered each morning.

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PATIENCE—32

There is no short cut to a new thing. It must be preceded by long, tedious hrs of experimentation and scores of disappointments. The only time you cannot afford to fail is the last time you try.—CHAS F KETTERING, *Science Digest*.

PERSPECTIVE—33

Citizenship in the modern world is incomplete and fractional unless the participating citizen realizes that he lives in an *expanding environment*, and that he cannot cope successfully with his local problems unless these are viewed in the light of regional, nat'l and world perspectives.—*Adult Education*.

PRICE CONTROLS—34

I ran into some trouble flying up to N Y for my program. At 8,000 ft above Washington I almost bumped smack into some meat prices. — ARTHUR GODFREY, —*Talent Scouts*, CBS-TV program.

RADIO—35

Too often in the past, arguments about a free radio have deteriorated into arguments about the desirability or non-desirability of soap operas.—F O BALDWIN, “Has Canada a Free Press?” *Canadian Business*, 4-’52.

RADIO—Commercials—36

Jane had long been puzzled by her grandpa's habit, when he was annoyed, of turning on the radio and listening intently for a few min's. Then he would take out a notebook, write something in it, and return with temper completely restored. One day Jane asked her grandma what it was all about.

"Your grandpa takes a philosophic view of life," she explained. "He knows darn well that no one wins an argument, but he's got to let off steam. So he fiddles with the radio till he gets some irritating commercial, then he writes down the name of the product it advertises and from that day on will never use it. That way he does not fight with anyone and he relieves his temper."—*United Mine Workers Jnl.*

READING—37

A recent survey taken of more than 15,000 corp'n officers and execs, shows that 55% of them read more than 10 books a yr, and 19% more than 25 books a yr.—BERNARDINE KIELTY, *Book-of-the-Mo Club News*.

RECREATION—38

To devote a portion of one's leisure to doing something for someone else is one of the highest forms of recreation. — GERALD B FITZGERALD, Univ of Minn, "Experimental Recreation Programs for Youth," *High School Jnl*, 4-'52.

SALESMANSHIP—39

The great chemist who invented pills must have been a genius, but the man who really sold the idea was the chap who put the sugar coating on them.—*The Salesman's Treasury*.

SECURITY—40

True security can only come from truth entering the mind and heart of a nation, forming therein a hard core of determination to do the right.—W STUART SYMINGTON, former U S Sec'y of Air Force, addressing Yale Alumni Ass'n.



In Sept '50 American Civil Liberties Union appointed Merle Miller, a mbr of their bd and former editor of *Yank* and *Harpers*, to investigate so-called blacklisting practices in radio and television. This was shortly after the book *Red Channels* listed sundry writers and actors with alleged leftist sympathies. Mr Miller's rep't in book form, *The Judges and The Judged* (Doubleday) is now out. Sums up case for those who believe creative persons should not be dependent for livelihood on ability to keep in good graces of self-appointed watchdogs.

Miller's conclusions: Some persons listed in *Red Channels* were probably either Communists or fellow travelers. Many others were anti-Communist liberals. In the listings there's no distinction.

Who is the most prolific writer of our day? Certainly the French author Cecil St Laurent should be in the running. At 32 he has completed his 80th book, *Caroline Cherie*. Prentice-Hall published the English translation last wk. Under 20 names, he has written on subjects ranging from abstract art to detective thrillers. Of the latest offering, an enthralled press agent asserts: "Romantic adventures of the beautiful and aristocratic Caroline . . . put to shame the amatory exploits of Amber, Kitty and Duchess Hotspur."

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It's an **IDEA**

Traffic violators in Manila can get their tickets fixed any time they want to. All they have to do is give a pint of blood for Filipino war wounded and the ticket is torn up.—Atlas News, hm, Atlas Auto Finance Co.

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SECURITY—41

Relative security lies “in the instinctive tendency of free nations to combine against that one or group . . . that seems to be expanding so aggressively and exerting such domination as to endanger the liberties of all.”—HANSON W BALDWIN, *Power and Politics* (Claremont & Associated Colleges).

SELF—Reliance—42

Each man should know that he himself is responsible for his own life, for his own soul, for his own eternity. With this idea within the hearts and minds of all we surely could feel that a greater freedom and a greater brotherhood would prevail.—PHILIP D BOOKSTABER, *The Idea of the Development of the Soul in Medieval Jewish Philosophy* (Maurice Jacob).

SPEECH—Speaking—43

The confident young man arose and spread out his notes on the reading desk, adjusted his glasses, cleared his throat, and prepared to debate the affirmative of the

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subject: “Modern Education Doesn’t Meet the Needs of the Day.” He stared intently at the notes, and bewilderment spread over his face. “I’m sorry,” he stammered, “I’ve got it all written down, but hanged if I can read it.” “Sit down, young man,” an old gentleman in the group admonished. “You’ve won the debate!”—*Christian Science Monitor*.

SUCCESS—44

Success has traditionally been measured in our society by one’s upward mobility. We seem to have amended the Ten Commandments to read: “Thou shalt strive ever to move upward lest thou be guilty of an unforgivable sin.” — EARL S JOHNSON, Univ of Chicago, “Social Class as Fact & Perspective in Social Studies,” *School Review*, 4-’52.

TEACHERS—Teaching—45

Last fall another teacher and I had been going frequently to a down-town snack bar for lunch. One day the waitress, who usually served us, overheard one of us mention the high school. “You don’t mean that you are teachers?” she asked, surprised.

We assured her that we were.

Her next remark was, “Why, I’d never guess you were teachers. I ain’t never heard you all complain about the kids.”—BEULAH SHUMATE, *W Va School Jnl*.

TELEVISION—46

New technique is being used by Mary Jones, women’s commentator for WFIL-AM-TV Philadelphia, on her wkly TV program, which is conveyed in sign language for the deaf and hard of hearing.—*Broadcasting*, 4-14-’52.

VIEWPOINT—47

Four-yr-old Olga has always lived in a rather unattractive neighborhood. The only thing she could see from her window were the drab-looking houses across the street.

Then one day the family moved to a lovely district on a hill, where a view of the mountains and the waters of Puget Sound could be enjoyed.

Olga was enchanted with the beauties spread out before her. She called excitedly to her mother, "Oh, Mummy, come look, the sky is sitting on top of the mountain!" —*Christian Science Monitor*.

WAR—Peace—48

One of the responsibilities of a physicist is to publicize the truth that . . . a physical lab is not a foundry where the swords of war are given a better cutting edge.—*SAM'L K ALLISON, Science Digest*.

WEALTH—Limitations—49

Edmund Gosse was defeated at an auction by Lord Rosebery, and in his distress he dropped a tear on the shoulder of a friendly bookseller. "He gets everything," Gosse grumbled, "he was born to get everything."

"No," said the bibliophile, "not everything. He has not, and never will have, the exquisite pleasure of buying what he knows he cannot afford." —*HOLBROOK JACKSON, The Anatomy of Bibliomania* (Soncing Press, London).

WORK—50

If you are working, give the best that is in you, remembering that in the last analysis the real satisfaction in life comes not from



A man and woman in an Iron Curtain country were listening to a nightingale. "Do you like the song?" the woman asked.

"Until I know who wrote the melody," the man repl'd, "I can say nothing." —*Pathfinder*.

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Soviet friendship: when a Hungarian worker, in a Moscow factory, with the aid of a Czech machine, run by Rumanian oil and Polish coal, makes Russian cigarettes out of Bulgarian tobacco.—*Jez* (Yugoslavia).

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In Mecklenburg, Soviet zone of Germany, the authorities have set a one-a-day egg-laying quota for hens.—*Pathfinder*.

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The Dresden Serum Institute asked the agricultural commissariat in Leipzig to deliver some horses for serum extraction. The East Zone Commissar repl'd sharply: "It is impossible to supply horses at this time. There are, however, plenty of tractors available." —*Nebelspalter* (Switzerland).

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money and things, but from the realization of a job well done. There lies the difference between the journeyman worker and the real craftsman.—*H W PRENTIS, Jr* Chmn of Bd, Armstrong Cork Co in speech at Girard College.

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Good Stories.....

you can use

✓ I once attended a meeting of the County Historical Society in a western mining town. The subject under discussion was the placing of plaques on certain local landmarks.

A little old lady in the group suggested that a bronze marker be affixed to the old Simmer home-
stead.

"But is it an historic landmark?" queried the dubious chairman. "I can't seem to recall that anything ever happened there."

"Well," said the little old lady a bit belligerently, "Grandpa Simmer has ninety-odd descendants living hereabouts. 'Pears like *something* must have happened there!"

—CLAYRE LIPMAN. a

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✓ At the kindergarten when they reach the age of four, pupils are expected to put on their own shoes; Johnny, having attained that age of discretion, was told by his teacher to do so. He did his best but later had to be told that he had his shoes on the wrong feet.

"But, teacher," he protested, "I haven't got any other feet." — *Manchester (England) Guardian*. b

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American (kicking about inflation, etc.): If things don't get any better, I'm going to move to Europe and live off Uncle Sam.—*Erie Mag*, hm, Erie Ry. c

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

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✓ A young woman patient was discussing with me the treatment of her badly discolored upper right central incisor. "Dr Olsen," she asked seriously, "could you put a slip-cover on this tooth for me?" — *Oral Hygiene*.

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A lady went into an upholstery dep't and asked for some rust-colored mat'l to re-cover a sofa cushion. A salesman told her no such hue was in stock, but she resourcefully poked around, found just the rust she wanted and took it to him. "That is not rust," he said. "That is Grandma Moses persimmon."—*New Yorker*. d

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✓ Irving Berlin, an expert insomniac who claims he hasn't slept well for 32 yrs, was vacationing in Bermuda a while ago with Irving Hoffman, the *Hollywood Reporter's* ubiquitous columnist.

One morning Hoffman noticed his host looked more finely drawn than usual and asked Berlin if he had gotten any sleep.

"Yes, I slept," Berlin said bitterly, "but I dreamed that I didn't." —WALTER ROSS, "Sleeping Is an Art," *Esquire*, 5-52. e

Wise Cracks

At the League of Nations, the morning meeting of the Political Comm cont'd deep into the afternoon and the delegates were thinking mournfully of their food getting cold at their hotels, but nobody moved for an adjournment.

Finally, the delegate of France asked for the floor and said: "Dear colleagues, since we cannot reach a conclusion within a short time I suggest we adjourn now and confer with the other mbrs of our delegations, if necessary with our gov'ts, and, after due consideration of all implications of the point of issue, meet again this afternoon and continue our debate."

Capt Russell, the interpreter, translated this speech as follows: "Gentlemen! It's time for lunch!" —UN World.

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On a children's quiz show a boy about 7 was before the microphone. "It's man's best friend," began the M C, "and the word begins with 'D'."

"Dame," the youngster responded. —Great Lakes Bulletin.

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A publisher in N Y had a frantic call from a Tass official. He wanted a book in a hurry. Was it in stock? Assured that it was, a Tass messenger rushed over by cab, plunked down good U S greenbacks, dashed away with the book. Its title? *A Rocket in My Pocket*. But the contents were children's verses.—RUTH MONTGOMERY, N Y Daily News.

June is the month unmarried girls like to be well-groomed.—Journeyman Barber.

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Decoration Day: What most women think Easter Sunday is.—Gas Flame.

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Newsmen have dubbed NATO's paper maneuvers in Paris "Exercise Venus de Milo": no arms and plenty of SHAPE.—Quick.

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We have read so much about the bad effects of smoking that we have decided to give up reading.—Toronto Telegram.

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Phyllis Robson, editor of the English *Dog World*, relates that at a polling booth during a recent election a lady was seen going to vote with her dog. A man nearby said to her: "I see you are going to exercise your franchise."

"This isn't a franchise," she retorted angrily, "it is a Welsh Corgi."—Your Dog.

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A young teacher substituted for a friend who was taking a wk's honeymoon. Later at a party, someone started to introduce the groom to her.

"Oh," he answered, "I know Miss Jones. She substituted for my wife on our honeymoon."—Construction News, hm, Construction League of Indianapolis.

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Quote-ettes

ARNOLD TOYNBEE, British historian, currently lecturing in U S: "America is like a large, friendly dog in a very small room. Every time it wags its tail, it knocks over a chair!" 1-Q-t

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ROBT MOSES, N Y C Construction Co-Ordinator, opposing plan to draw city's water supply from Hudson River: "Even with full chemical treatment, the water would be only fairly good. I'm against 'fairly good' water for the same reason that I'm against a fairly good egg." 2-Q-t

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Doorman at Miami Beach Saxony Hotel, explaining scratches on plate glass doors: "When guests grab the door handles their diamonds cut the heck out of the glass." 3-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the **NEW**

The lot of campers and travellers gets easier all the time. New portable bed measures 10" deep by 36" long folded, can be carried in car trunk. It has cable spring frame, cotton ticking mattress, weighs 40 lbs. New car crib for baby travellers is padded at sides as well as at bottom; child can't get hurt. Big enough to fill entire back seat of car, crib provides plenty of space to sleep or play.

Two new gadgets help safer, more comfortable driving. One is a sun-visor which is simply pressed to windshield, where it clings firmly. Transparent green plastic strip

cuts glare, can be peeled off (leaving no marks), washed and re-used. For night drivers there is a reflecting glove, enabling other drivers to see hand signals in dark. Made of conventional mat'ls, glove has coating on rearside that is flexible and highly reflective.

Cold drinks without stopping are available if you have new carry-all pail, insulated by plastic cover with zippered-on top. Pail holds doz 12-oz bottles, keeps iced drinks cold about 15 hrs. Glass fibers electronically sealed inside cover protects from heat.

